

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

LAIRSON et al.

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For: "TRANSVERSE BIASED

SHEILDS FOR PERPENDICULAR

RECORDING TO REDUCE STRAY FIELD SENSITIVITY"

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION OF APRIL 10, 2003

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Dear Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated April 10, 2003 (Paper No. 7). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please enter the amendments set forth below.